

**POLICE MAJOR
STUDY GUIDE**

A written examination for the class of **POLICE MAJOR** to be administered in **OPELOUSAS** on **OCTOBER 5, 2009**, will consist of approximately 112 multiple-choice questions. The examination will test your knowledge in the following subject areas:

SUBJECT AREA/KNOWLEDGE	APPROXIMATE % OF EXAM
POLICE ADMINISTRATION Knowledge of the principles of effective police service management and administration, involving management theory and organizational behavior; researching, planning, organizing, directing, inspecting, and evaluating departmental operations; personnel management; managing equipment, property and supplies; and of procedures for developing and implementing an effective training program.	29.5%
RECORDS/REPORTS/CORRESPONDENCE Knowledge of effective records-management practices, including preparation, content, format, and control; and knowledge of effective report preparation procedures, including the compilation, analysis, and organization of data into an effective written format for reports or official correspondence.	15.2%
SUPERVISION Knowledge of the practices and techniques used in effective supervision in order to plan, organize, direct, and evaluate the work of subordinates; to resolve conflicts; and to maintain discipline.	18.8%
PUBLIC RELATIONS Knowledge of effective public relations practices which foster a positive public image of the department through contact with the other agencies, and the public.	10.7%
TRAFFIC CONTROL Knowledge of accepted procedures for traffic control, including vehicle stops, and enforcement of all applicable motor vehicle laws; and court testimony.	15.2%

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SPECIAL TACTICAL OPERATIONS MANAGEMENT Knowledge of the procedures for conducting special tactical operations such as crowd control, hostage situations, and operations during natural disasters or catastrophic events.	10.7%

REFERENCE LIST

While the entire list of reference material will be useful to you in your preparation for the upcoming examination, the **majority** of test questions are sourced from those references listed under the Primary List.

PRIMARY REFERENCE MATERIAL

EFFECTIVE SUPERVISORY PRACTICES/Better Results Through Teamwork, 777 North Capitol, Washington, DC 20005, 4th ed, 2005. (NOTE: May also be obtained through LSU **Firemen Training Program**).

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BUSINESS COMMUNICATIONS, Dumont, Raymond A., and Lannon, John M., Little, Brown and Company, 34 Deacon Street, Boston MA 02108, 2nd ed., 1987.

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